

Report of: Head of Locality Partnerships

Report to: Inner South Community Committee
(Beeston & Holbeck, Hunslet & Riverside, Middleton Park)

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Inner South Community Committee: Queens Platinum Jubilee Report

1. Purpose of the Report

To provide the Inner South Community Committee with an update on the Queens Platinum Jubilee.

2. Queens Platinum Jubilee

In 2022 Her Majesty the Queen will become the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee after 70 years of service. As such there will be many events and activities celebrating the jubilee across the United Kingdom, Commonwealth and beyond, in the months leading up to the extended bank holiday weekend from Thursday 2nd June to Sunday 5th June 2022. This report pulls together some helpful information about these celebrations, especially the ones that it is hoped will bring communities together, in particular:

- The Big Lunch: <https://www.thebiglunch.com/getyourpack>
- The Queen's Green Canopy: <https://queensgreencanopy.org/>
- The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons: [Services 4 — The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons 2022 \(queensjubileebeacons.com\)](https://services4.uk/the-queens-platinum-jubilee-beacons-2022)

Externally, more than £22 million of National Lottery funding is being made available to help communities across the country celebrate the Platinum Jubilee:

- The National Lottery Community Fund's [Platinum Jubilee Fund](#) will provide grants of up to £50,000 to 70 impactful community projects across the UK. In addition, grants of up to £10,000 from The National Lottery [Awards For All programme](#) will be available for community-led events throughout 2022.
- Arts Council England's [Let's Create Jubilee Fund](#) will support voluntary and community organisations in England to develop creative and cultural activities as part of Platinum Jubilee celebrations with grants of up to £10,000.
- The Arts Council has also announced [£175,000 to help libraries celebrate](#). The funding will be distributed by [Libraries Connected](#) and will provide £1,000 for each library service.
- Throughout the year community organisations will also be able to apply for grants from the Arts Council's [National Lottery Project Grants programme](#), which has been refreshed with new guidance to better support a broader range of ambitious cultural projects.
- The National Lottery Heritage Fund will support communities to take action to help natural green spaces flourish as a legacy of the Queens Platinum Jubilee. Additional funding will create [70 paid placements for young people from under-served and disadvantaged backgrounds](#).
- [Sport England's](#) Queen's Platinum Jubilee Activity Fund, which will open at the beginning of 2022, will focus on the role of sport and physical activity in tackling inequalities and building stronger communities.

The Communities Team are working with local ward members in the promotion of these celebrations and the funding opportunities that are available and offering support where Community Committees are seeking to allocate some wellbeing funds. They are also currently reaching out to partners and local voluntary and community groups through their local networks, partnerships and social media pages to promote these opportunities and support organisations in the planning and development of local activities.

We're aware that Community Committees will play a key role in this promotion, as well as supporting local communities where there are plans to be made for the Queens Platinum Jubilee. With this in mind the Communities Team have developed a Social Media Plan, including a Queens Platinum Jubilee poster, attached at appendix 1 to raise awareness of the celebratory weekend in June 2022.

3. The Big Jubilee Lunch

The Big Jubilee Lunch has been chosen as the official community celebration for The Queen's Platinum Jubilee weekend. The Big Lunch is a chance to celebrate community connections and get to know one another a little better. The Big Lunch are working on free Big Lunch packs to help everyone celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with your community and neighbouring residents. For more information and your free pack visit [The Big Lunch | Eden Project Communities](#) website.

4. Organising your own Street Party

The government has published guidance including tips, advice and support on organising a street party and you can view the [government guidance on organising a street party](#) here. Leeds City Council will be supporting the scheme and will administer the process, which will allow neighbours to formally close their street to through traffic to facilitate a Queens Jubilee Street Party Event. Information from Leeds City Council is available on the following link: [Play Streets \(leeds.gov.uk\)](#)

The government has also launched its new Platinum Jubilee website, including an interactive map which will display all the events and activities that will be taking place right across the UK. The map is open for anyone to add their events and everyone is encouraged to upload any events and activities they may be planning to mark the Jubilee. To upload your event go to: [The Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022](#).

We are also very keen to learn about all the various street parties and other celebratory events happening in Leeds to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. If you are planning an event then please let us now by emailing TROTEAM@leeds.gov.uk.

Before proceeding with any street party it's important that you review the information below that will explain what is permitted for a street party. Street parties are community events held in residential streets and are considered to be open solely to residents and surrounding neighbours.

The list below highlights the activities permitted for a street party.

- For residents and surrounding neighbours.
- Publicity only for residents.
- In a house or garden, local green space, or a quiet residential road.
- Providing your own food.
- No sale of alcohol.
- No live music.
- No entrance fee.
- Selling tickets for a raffle for a charity or good cause on the day and prizes are less than £500.

5. Do I need a Road Closure Notification?

If you are holding your party on private land or off the road you will not need a Road Closure Notice. If you are holding your party in the street you will need to seek permission to close the road for your event. If your event requires a possible road closure, please ensure you notify Leeds City Council at: TROTEAM@leeds.gov.uk no later than **15th April 2022** for the application to be administered and for Legal Orders to be processed in time.

The most suitable roads are quiet residential streets or cul-de-sacs where an easy alternative route for through traffic can be provided. It must be borne in mind that Leeds City Council reserves the right to decline applications based on highway safety concerns.

Please be aware that parents and adults are responsible for the safety and supervision of children playing out on the street during the street party. It should also be noted that all affected properties within the street party closure will need to support the event.

6. Do I need insurance?

Ordinarily simple street parties do not require insurance. However, this does not mean that people organising an event cannot be held legally responsible for property damage or injury at your street party and as a consequence it is still worth considering cover and liability insurance should be obtained.

7. The Inner South Community Committee is asked to:

- Note the contents of report and offer any feedback or questions.

